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Title: USE OF HYDROXYDIPHENYL ETHER CLASS OF CHEMICALS,  
AS EXEMPLIFIED BY TRICLOSAN, AS AN ANTIMALARIAL  
AND IDENTIFICATION OF FATTY ACID SYNTHESIS AS ITS  
TARGET

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In the preliminary amendment filed February 23, 2001, Applicant cancelled claims 1-6 and filed claims 7-35. However, Applicant has become aware that some of the claims as presented in the Preliminary Amendment contained a typographical error resulting from the fact that claims 7-35 were originally drafted as claims 1-29. However, when the claims were renumbered as claims 7-35, certain dependencies were not renumbered to correspond with the new claim numbers. Thus certain of claims 7-35 that should be dependent on claim 7 are currently dependent on cancelled claim 1, while other claims that should be dependent on claim 17 are dependent on claim 10. An examination of the claim structure will make it clear that these are typographical errors and that their correction does not constitute the addition of new matter. Please amend the claims as follows to correct these errors.

A marked up version of the amended claims, showing changes made, is enclosed herein. For the Examiner's convenience, a copy of the complete set of claims as they will appear following entry of this Amendment is also enclosed as Appendix A.